

NATURE THE BEST TUTOR

Dr. Woods Hutchinson Says the Child Is Not Advanced With Text-Book Drilling.

NEEDS FRESH-AIR EXERCISE

Evolution Will Bring It Up to a Standard of Civilization That It Is Naturally to Reach.

"The Care and Education of the Rising Generation" was the subject of the address delivered last night by Dr. Woods Hutchinson, secretary of the state medical board, who lectured under the auspices of the Woman's Club. Because of the rush of business incident to Saturday night the attendance was not as large as it otherwise would have been, but those who listened to the discourse found Dr. Hutchinson a most interesting speaker and greatly enjoyed his talk.

The doctor is not in accord with old-time methods of teaching the young mind to shoot. He is firmly of the belief the young mind has been taught too much. At the start the doctor said that the question as to whether or not one were fortunate to have been born would elicit various answers, but, having been born, it was our duty to so live and conduct ourselves as to create favorable environments for the rising generation.

In education, the speaker said, the aim should be not to stick too closely to the system of cramming the head of the child full of text-book knowledge, taxing his memory, but rather to provide for him an education that will make him broad-minded, warm-hearted and physically more capable. It used to be that "ladies" and "gentlemen" were of the exclusively educated and cultured classes, but that distinction ought to be, and is now to a more marked extent than formerly, within the reach of almost anybody, and by reason of improved methods of education will still farther afford opportunities to all; in other words, the tendency is toward broader and more liberal education, and a generally more available and democratic system.

The greatest possible training should go with the development of the mind, asserted Dr. Hutchinson. The old idea that a child should be made to go to school and put in so many hours a day at book study, with the aim in view of having it accomplish certain results in

given lengths of time, was, the doctor continued, quite erroneous. Natural, healthy development of the child requires far less school hours and more attention to fresh-air exercise, enabling the child to grow and expand by association and induction rather than by application to books. Following out the same line of reasoning, the effort directed at teaching the child to walk and talk is largely waste of time, the child being a born mimic and its natural instinct being to learn the very things which receive the attention of mothers and educators. The instinct born in the child is the result, according to Dr. Hutchinson, of the experience of millions of generations.

It is useless, said the speaker, to teach morality to the child, except in a general way, because it can not comprehend the teaching. Such education is foreign to its nature at that age.

The child, the doctor averred, passes through the same ages and periods through which the people of the world have passed in their evolution up to the present high standard of civilization. What the child requires is the opportunity to study nature, and to be permitted to undergo a natural development, mentally, morally and physically, rather than to be crammed full of knowledge. The doctor's address made it plain that he was not in sympathy with Puritanism, but that he believed the child should be allowed to have a good time.

Going back to the school room question, Dr. Hutchinson said he believed there should be school physicians, not alone to direct the care of the health of the pupils, but as well to instruct them in their play. Parents and teachers, he said, are ignorant of the science of these matters and do not properly understand the training of the child; they keep the little ones cooped up in school too much. Along the same line he referred to the ridiculousness of the occasional necessity for the closing of schools because of disease epidemics. If teachers were capable of properly looking after the health of the children, there would be no disease epidemics. Most of all, teachers should be able to distinguish fever, which seldom manifests itself except where contagion is apt to follow. The necessity for the isolation of sick children was also pointed out.

Speaking of the evolution of the child, Dr. Hutchinson said it was impossible to indoctrinate high moral precepts into its mind, but that it is more profitable to allow it to develop according to its own natural inclinations. The process of evolution would bring the child eventually to the 20th century civilization. The speaker's deduction was that it is improper to require the child to fit the education, and eminently proper to make the education fit the child.

ACCIDENTS AT RACES.

At Intercollegiate Regatta on Coast Events Are Marred.

University of California, April 30.—The first intercollegiate regatta on the Pacific coast was marred this afternoon by several accidents, the most severe of them being the breaking of a seat in the University of Washington's boat, preventing the northern varsity from competing. The varsity race was easily taken from Stanford by California and the race between the freshmen crew resulted in a walk-over for California. The course was a mile and a half straightaway over the Oakland estuary.

The sea was exceedingly choppy during the race between the freshmen and Stanfordites. They were swamped to such an extent that they were compelled to make for shore and bail out. Berkeley won by at least a quarter of a mile. As the Stanford boat neared the finish they were swamped, endangering the lives of the rowers and necessitating their rescue.

Just as the Washington crew, which was supposed to be the best of the trio, was ready to compete with Stanford and California, its sliding seat apparatus broke. After considerable delay, California raced Stanford, winning by six lengths. Washington and California will race Monday.

SUNDAY BASEBALL WINS.

Judge Gaynor Expresses Himself Regarding Arrest of Players.

New York, April 30.—Supreme Court Justice Gaynor at Brooklyn today indicated from the bench in habeas corpus proceedings, brought by Bernard J. York, a lawyer, that he would decide in favor of Sunday baseball in Brooklyn in the near future.

Justice Gaynor discharged the ball which had been required from the ball players arrested declaring it unnecessary, and paroled them. He expressed himself vigorously against the action of the police.

Loggers Will Curtail.

Seattle, April 30.—The Washington logging and Brokerage Association today decided to curtail the output 50 per cent during the months of May and June and camps will be closed entirely during July unless the demand should increase. Eighty-five per cent of the members of the association were present in person or by representatives and there was not a dissenting voice.

ST. LOUIS EXPOSITION

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the towering crests of the Rocky mountains, was added to the dominion of the young republic.

The senator referred to the marvelous development and growth in population and material resources of the Louisiana territory and added:

"What a wonderful transformation. Yet the century during which it was accomplished has barely passed and the glorious work of building up this mighty empire has only just begun. To Jefferson, to Livingston and to Monroe belong the undying honor of securing this vast domain for the American people and on the brightest pages of our country's history is inscribed the treaty which they consummated with the great Napoleon.

"This day marks the beginning of the grandest, most varied and most extensive exposition the world has yet seen. This exposition, favored by the late President McKinley, whose invitation to participate therein was extended to foreign lands and inaugurated by President Roosevelt when he employs the power of electricity at the nation's capital to set in motion the machinery here installed, will crown with fitting honor the event we now commemorate.

"It will, as we are already assured, prove worthy of this beautiful city and of the great state of Missouri, with its unmeasured resources, and it will add another triumph to the glorious achievements of the men and women who dwell in this favored land.

"Such expositions indicate the different stages in the progressive march of the human race. They invite to a share in the honors, they bestow the enterprise and inventive genius of all the nations and they provide the best and highest means of education, supplementing in a large degree the work of the college and university.

"They are the harbingers and promoters of peace and as such they merit and derive the support and approbation of the wise and patriotic men and women of every land.

"Where else, with greater reason and propriety could such an exposition be held than in our own country, now at peace with all the world, and commemorating an event whose importance and far reaching consequences cannot even now be realized and understood?"

"Where else with stronger assur-

ance of success could this great enterprise be taken than in the city, on the banks of the Mississippi and among the prosperous millions who are building up a mighty empire and have added to our flag so many imperishable stars?

"Proudly we hail this day and this glorious occasion and unite with every lover of our country and her blessed institutions in bidding godspeed to this great exposition."

"Ambition, competition, strife and friction are essential to progress. Without these nations would sleep and men would die.

"The aggregation of the productiveness of man displayed at this great festival of progress invites a rather contradictory reflection. It both levels and establishes distinction. To me a most magnificent fact brought out by the exhibits is the coincidence of advancement on certain distinct lines in sections remote from each other, widely apart in native and acquired attributes; at once denoting the community of thought throughout the world.

"The school, the college, the university, stimulate the faculties and improve the intellectual conditions of individuals. The museum improves the social conditions of a community. The exposition impresses its educational benefactions upon the world. The plan and scope of this exposition uttered at the inception of the enterprise was consciously intended to give its full expression and ultimate outcome a distinct educative character. The classification itself, the rules and regulations of the exposition, the selection of the material, the arrangement of the individual topics, the catalogue, the demonstrations, the provisions for the jury system and the incorporation of a co-ordinate congress, each contribute an essential factor in giving to this exposition the elements of the university, the museum, the manual training school and the library, while over and above it all is the record of the social conditions of mankind, registering not only the culture of the world at this time, but indicating the particular plans along which different races and different peoples may safely proceed, or, in fact, have begun to advance towards a still higher development.

NORTHERN TEAM LOSES.

Put Up Good Showing But Meets Defeat by Californians.

Berkeley, April 30.—As was expected the Washington team, outnumbered three to one and on a strange track, went down to defeat before the sprinters and jumpers of the University of California today. The score stood: California 72, Washington 36. Washington, however, made a remarkable showing, every one of her athletes surpassing their former performances. Joe Pearson, the northern sprinter, showed a form that surpassed that of Dunn, Stanford's idol. Two coast records were broken, 220-yard dash and 50-yard dash, Pearson "upping the former and Abadie of California the latter.

ACCUSED MAN RELEASED.

Wife's Charge of Murder Fails Being Substantiated.

Chicago, April 30.—Andrew Houston, who had been held by the police since Wednesday pending an investigation of a murder said by his wife to have been committed by him in Ohio has been released. The police had obtained no verification of the charge from the Ohio authorities. Houston, after having his wife arrested on a charge of bigamy was first charged by her with having committed a murder near Liggett, O., many years ago. She said she learned of this through her husband's habit of talking in his sleep.

When Houston was arrested, the police sent telegrams to Ohio asking for an investigation of the charges. No answer was received, and the accused man was released.

METHODIST EVENING SERVICE.

There Will Be Vocal and Instrumental Music Besides Sermon.

Following is the program that will be rendered at the Methodist church this evening:

Organ Voluntary.
Opening Verse—"Hark, Hark,
My Soul.....Choir
Hymn No. 60.

Prayer—Chant Lord's Prayer.

Anthem—"Praise Ye the Father".....Choir
Scriptural Lesson.

Announcements.

Offertory.

Violin Solo—Selected.....Miss Larsen
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